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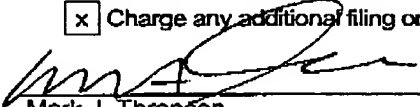
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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>			Docket No. R2184.0089/P089		
Application No. 09/722,270	Filing Date November 28, 2000	Examiner Tommy D. Lee	Art Unit 2624		
Applicant(s): Kazunari Tonami et al.					
Invention: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE FORMING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and a Petition for Extension of Time in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION****U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03  
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**Responsive to the Office Action dated August 6, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins  
on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 31 of this paper.

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